



City of San Marcos

Special Meeting Minutes

Ethics Review Commission

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

6:00 PM

City Hall Conference Room

I. Call To Order

With a quorum present, the special meeting of the Ethics Review Commission was called to order by Chair Rios at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, in the City Hall Conference Room, 630 E. Hopkins Street, San Marcos, Texas 78666.

II. Roll Call

Present: 5 - Chair Rios, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Price, Commissioner Rowe, Commissioner Smithson

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Chandler, Commissioner Osborne

III. Citizen Comment

Others Present: Lisa Marie Coppoletta (Via ZOOM), Sarah Teale (In Person)

1. Executive Session under the authority of Section 2.444 of the San Marcos City Code to review Complaints 2023-2 and 2023-3.

Chair Rios, asked to enter Executive Session at 6:08 p.m., and asked for a vote to adjourn into Executive Session to review Complaint 2023-2 and 2023-3. The decision to adjourn into Executive Session was approved by the following vote:

For: 5 - Chair Rios, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Price, Commissioner Rowe, Commissioner Smithson

Against: 0 -

The Commission returned from Executive Session at 6:51 p.m.

2. Action, as appropriate, on Complaint 2023-2.

Chair Rios called for a Motion regarding complaint 2023-2. A motion to dismiss the complaint was made by Commissioner Smithson and seconded by Commissioner Morris.

It was determined that the complaint did not allege sufficient facts to constitute a prima facie violation of the Ethics Code or of the state conflict of interest of law. Therefore, the Commission unanimously voted to dismiss the complaint. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 5 - Chair Rios, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Price, Commissioner Rowe, Commissioner Smithson

Against: 0 -

3. Action, as appropriate, on Complaint 2023-3.

Chair Rios called for a Motion regarding complaint 2023-3. A motion to proceed with a hearing, regarding the complaint was made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Smithson. The motion carried by the following vote:

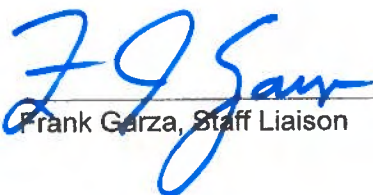
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Against: 0 -

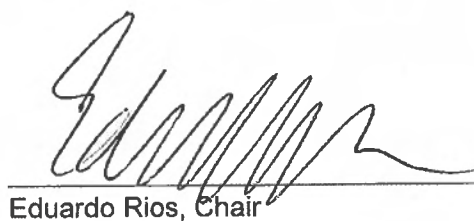
The Commission also requested that certain additional relevant information be gathered for consideration at the pending hearing on the complaint.

III. Adjournment

The Special Meeting of the Ethics Review Commission meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:10 p.m.



Frank Garza, Staff Liaison



Eduardo Rios, Chair